one side of an airplane with four engines, and the center engine and one outboard engine on an airplane with three engines.

## § 91.613 Materials for compartment interiors.

No person may operate an airplane that conforms to an amended or supplemental type certificate issued in accordance with SFAR No. 41 for a maximum certificated takeoff weight in excess of 12,500 pounds unless within 1 year after issuance of the initial airworthiness certificate under that SFAR the airplane meets the compartment interior requirements set forth in §25.853 (a), (b), (b-1), (b-2), and (b-3) of this chapter in effect on September 26, 1978

#### §§ 91.615—91.699 [Reserved]

## Subpart H—Foreign Aircraft Operations and Operations of U.S.-Registered Civil Aircraft Outside of the United States

SOURCE: Docket No. 18334, 54 FR 34320, Aug. 18, 1989, unless otherwise noted.

#### §91.701 Applicability.

This subpart applies to the operations of civil aircraft of U.S. registry outside of the United States and the operations of foreign civil aircraft within the United States.

# §91.703 Operations of civil aircraft of U.S. registry outside of the United States

- (a) Each person operating a civil aircraft of U.S. registry outside of the United States shall—
- (1) When over the high seas, comply with annex 2 (Rules of the Air) to the Convention on International Civil Aviation and with §§ 91.117(c), 91.127, 91.129, and 91.131;
- (2) When within a foreign country, comply with the regulations relating to the flight and maneuver of aircraft there in force:
- (3) Except for §§ 91.307(b), 91.309, 91.323, and 91.711, comply with this part so far as it is not inconsistent with applicable regulations of the foreign country where the aircraft is operated

or annex 2 of the Convention on International Civil Aviation; and

- (4) When over the North Atlantic within airspace designated as Minimum Navigation Performance Specifications airspace, comply with §91.705.
- (b) Annex 2 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, Eighth Edition—July 1986, with amendments through Amendment 28 effective November 1987, to which reference is made in this part, is incorporated into this part and made a part hereof as provided in 5 U.S.C. 552 and pursuant to 1 CFR part 51 annex 2 (including a complete historic file of changes thereto) is available for public inspection at the Rules Docket, AGC-10, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591. In addition, Annex 2 may be purchased from the International Civil Aviation Organization (Attention: Distribution Officer), P.O. Box 400, Succursale, Place de L'Aviation Internationale, 1000 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3A 2R2.

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#### §91.705 Operations within the North Atlantic Minimum Navigation Performance Specifications Airspace.

No person may operate a civil aircraft of U.S. registry in North Atlantic (NAT) airspace designated as Minimum Navigation Performance Specifications (MNPS) airspace unless—

- (a) The aircraft has approved navigation performance capability which complies with the requirements of appendix C of this part; and
- (b) The operator is authorized by the Administrator to perform such operations.
- (c) The Administrator authorizes deviations from the requirements of this section in accordance with section 3 of appendix C to this part.

## §91.707 Flights between Mexico or Canada and the United States.

Unless otherwise authorized by ATC, no person may operate a civil aircraft between Mexico or Canada and the United States without filing an IFR or VFR flight plan, as appropriate.

#### § 91.709

#### §91.709 Operations to Cuba.

No person may operate a civil aircraft from the United States to Cuba unless—

- (a) Departure is from an international airport of entry designated in §6.13 of the Air Commerce Regulations of the Bureau of Customs (19 CFR 6.13); and
- (b) In the case of departure from any of the 48 contiguous States or the District of Columbia, the pilot in command of the aircraft has filed—
- (1) A DVFR or IFR flight plan as prescribed in §99.11 or §99.13 of this chapter; and
- (2) A written statement, within 1 hour before departure, with the Office of Immigration and Naturalization Service at the airport of departure, containing—
- (i) All information in the flight plan;(ii) The name of each occupant of the
- (iii) The number of occupants of the aircraft; and
  - (iv) A description of the cargo, if any.

This section does not apply to the operation of aircraft by a scheduled air carrier over routes authorized in operations specifications issued by the Administrator.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 2120-0005)

### §91.711 Special rules for foreign civil aircraft.

- (a) *General.* In addition to the other applicable regulations of this part, each person operating a foreign civil aircraft within the United States shall comply with this section.
- (b) VFR. No person may conduct VFR operations which require two-way radio communications under this part unless at least one crewmember of that aircraft is able to conduct two-way radio communications in the English language and is on duty during that operation.
- (c) *IFR.* No person may operate a foreign civil aircraft under IFR unless—
  - (1) That aircraft is equipped with—
- (i) Radio equipment allowing twoway radio communication with ATC when it is operated in controlled airspace; and

- (ii) Radio navigational equipment appropriate to the navigational facilities to be used;
- (2) Each person piloting the aircraft—
- (i) Holds a current United States instrument rating or is authorized by his foreign airman certificate to pilot under IFR; and
- (ii) Is thoroughly familiar with the United States en route, holding, and letdown procedures; and
- (3) At least one crewmember of that aircraft is able to conduct two-way radiotelephone communications in the English language and that crewmember is on duty while the aircraft is approaching, operating within, or leaving the United States.
- (d) Over water. Each person operating a foreign civil aircraft over water off the shores of the United States shall give flight notification or file a flight plan in accordance with the Supplementary Procedures for the ICAO region concerned.
- (e) Flight at and above FL 240. If VOR navigational equipment is required under paragraph (c)(1)(ii) of this section, no person may operate a foreign civil aircraft within the 50 States and the District of Columbia at or above FL 240, unless the aircraft is equipped with distance measuring equipment (DME) capable of receiving and indicating distance information from the VORTAC facilities to be used. When DME required by this paragraph fails at and above FL 240, the pilot in command of the aircraft shall notify ATC immediately and may then continue operations at and above FL 240 to the next airport of intended landing at which repairs or replacement of the equipment can be made. However, paragraph (e) of this section does not apply to foreign civil aircraft that are not equipped with DME when operated for the following purposes and if ATC is notified prior to each takeoff:
- (1) Ferry flights to and from a place in the United States where repairs or alterations are to be made.
- (2) Ferry flights to a new country of registry.
- (3) Flight of a new aircraft of U.S. manufacture for the purpose of—
  - (i) Flight testing the aircraft;